

Dear Commissioners, As a member of the IEEE Communications and Vehicular Technology Societies, I am particularly interested in technology, such as satellite radio.

I strongly urge you to reject the petition by the National Association of Broadcasters, petition 04-160, and allow satellite direct broadcast radio providers such as XM and Sirius to provide localized services, such as traffic and weather information. It makes the most sense for the American people. Traffic information in particular needs to reach the broadest audience, so as to decrease traffic jams, which result in wasted time and in wasting our precious fossil fuel resources.

Then of course, XM and Sirius have first amendment rights to carry this vital information and it goes against the public interest and the US Constitution to restrict them. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

--William A. Berbenich